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WEST CHESTER MAN GETS MORE THAN FOUR YEARS FOR FRAUD SCHEME

PHILADELPHIA - Peter Edward Aleszczyk, a/k/a "Peter Alex," 44, of West Chester, PA, was sentenced today to 51 months in prison for one count each of mail and wire fraud. Aleszczyk owned and operated his own employment consulting and recruiting company called KP Consulting, in Exton, Pennsylvania. Aleszczyk pleaded guilty on May 28, 2009 to soliciting a New Jersey company to enter into a business relationship with the purpose of having KP Consulting place eligible candidates in temporary positions in the pharmaceutical industry. Aleszczyk asked the New Jersey company for \$560,629.76 to fund the payroll of these temporary employees. Aleszczyk never placed any of the employees for whom the New Jersey company had paid.

In addition to the prison term, U.S. District Court Judge J. Curtis Joyner ordered the defendant to pay restitution in the amount of \$560,629.76, a fine in the amount of \$2,500, a \$200 special assessment, and to complete three years of supervised release. As a special condition of the supervised release the defendant cannot be employed as a headhunter or as someone who places employees with another business for a fee. Judge Joyner also noted the defendant's seven prior convictions and called this his most serious to date because it involved an extensive fraud with over 30 transactions, including fictitious emails the defendant created to make it appear to the victim as if the employees were working when, in fact, they were not.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ewald Zittlau.

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